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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA. Alexandria Division

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	<u>UNDER SEAL</u>
♥,)	Crim. No. 01-455-A Hon. Leonie M. Brinkema
ZA CARIAS MOTISSA OTT)	

GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST TO POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OF DEFENDANT'S REQUEST FOR ACCESS

The United States respectfully requests that the Court postpone its consideration of defendant's

and standby counsel's motions for access,

As is explained in the attached ex parte, classified submissions, the situation with respect to

is in its infancy and national security concerns compel that situation to play out before the

parties and the Court will have sufficient information to properly address the question of access

Accordingly, the United States requests that consideration of this issue be delayed for six months.

We recognize, of course, that such a delay likely necessitates the continuance of the trial and other hearings and pleadings in this case, and the United States does not object to such a continuance.

We note that the defendant and his standby counsel have both moved for a continuance in the case for additional time for the defense to prepare.

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request that the schedule for pleading and hearings, including hearings and pleadings deadlines under the Classified Information Protection Act, be vacated, with a revised calendar to be set later.

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